I am writing to object to the proposed ban on broadcast of local weather and traffic updates on satellite radio. I do not plan on making extensive use of these features, but I do oppose a ban. I do not see a real public purpose to such a ban. A proliferation of available sources of news can only assist local users of both broadcast and satellite listeners. Assisting local broadcasters by giving them a monopoly on this service is a dis-service to both listeners and to the satellite providers. The logic of a government enforced monopoly escapes me on this topic. Please do not proceed with this proposed ban.